

On page 16, please replace the paragraph beginning:

"hHa3:

5' -CTGATCACCAACGTGGAGTC-3',

5' -TACCCAAAGGTGTTGCAAGG-3'.

The PCR method included 35 - 40 cycles each of 30 sec..."with the following paragraph:

hHa3:

5' -CTGATCACCAACGTGGAGTC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 7),

5' -TACCCAAAGGTGTTGCAAGG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 8).

The PCR method included 35 - 40 cycles each of 30 sec. at 95°C, of 30 sec. at 58°C and of 1 min. at 72°C.

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to add the SEQ ID Nos. at the appropriate places in order to conform with the rules of practice. These amendments to the specification do not introduce new matter, and they are fully supported by the specification as originally filed. Marked up copies of the amended paragraphs are attached hereto as Appendix A.

CONCLUSION

No fee is believed to be due with this response. However, if it is determined that fees are due, please charge them to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes (order no. 8484-095-999).

Respectfully submitted,

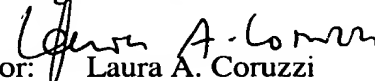
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